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## COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

- (A) This declaration is for an original application.
- (B) My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name.
- (C) I believe I am an original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

### NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES AND OTHER MOLECULES ASSOCIATED WITH THE GIBBERELLIN PATHWAY

the specification of which is filed herewith unless the following box is checked:

was filed on 09/19/2001,  
as United States Application Number 09/955,216, and  
identified by attorney docket number 38-21(15096)C, and  
was amended on (if applicable).

- (D) I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.
- (E) I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.
- (F) I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT international application, which designated at least one country other than the United States listed below, and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

#### Prior Foreign Application(s)

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(G) I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of the following United States provisional applications:

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- (A) This declaration is for an original application.
- (B) My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name.
- (C) I believe I am an original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

### **NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES AND OTHER MOLECULES ASSOCIATED WITH THE GIBBERELLIN PATHWAY**

the specification of which is filed herewith unless the following box is checked:

was filed on 09/19/2001,  
as United States Application Number 09/955,216, and  
identified by attorney docket number 38-21(15096)C, and  
was amended on (if applicable).

- (D) I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.
- (E) I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.
- (F) I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT international application, which designated at least one country other than the United States listed below, and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

#### Prior Foreign Application(s)

Application No.	Country	Filing Date	Priority Claimed
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(G) I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of the following United States provisional applications:

60/074,201 (Application No.)	02/10/1998 (Filing Date)	Abandoned (Status)
60/075,460 (Application No.)	02/19/1998 (Filing Date)	Abandoned (Status)
60/075,463 (Application No.)	02/19/1998 (Filing Date)	Abandoned (Status)
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60/080,844 (Application No.)	04/07/1998 (Filing Date)	Abandoned (Status)
60/083,067 (Application No.)	04/27/1998 (Filing Date)	Abandoned (Status)
60/083,387 (Application No.)	04/29/1998 (Filing Date)	Abandoned (Status)
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60/067,000 (Application No.)	11/24/1997 (Filing Date)	Abandoned (Status)
60/066,873 (Application No.)	11/25/1997 (Filing Date)	Abandoned (Status)
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60/089,810	06/18/1998	Abandoned
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60/089,814	06/18/1998	Abandoned
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60/091,247	06/30/1998	Abandoned
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(H) I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s), or under § 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT international application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 that became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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(Application No.)	(Filing Date)	(Status)

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